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☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

b. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box II).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box III).

4. With regard to the **title**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

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☒ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the **drawings**,

a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 1b

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b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

Box No. IV Text of the abstract (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

An insert (400) for use in a beverage preparation machine (201) of a type comprising a brew head (250) suitable for receiving a rigid or semi-rigid cartridge (1). The brew head (250) comprises an upwardly directed inlet (253) for supplying water to the brew head (250), a downwardly directed outlet (254) for outflow of beverage produced by the machine (201), and a closure mechanism moveable between open and closed configurations. The insert (400) comprises a receptacle (401) and sealing means (403), the receptacle (401) having an opening through which, in use, a quantity of beverage ingredients may be loaded into the receptacle, a lower portion of the insert comprising an inlet (405) and an outlet (404). In use, on insertion of the insert (400) into the brew head (250) of the beverage preparation machine (201) and movement of the closure mechanism into the closed position the sealing means (403) is contactable with, and sealable against, the brew head (250) to thereby close the opening of the receptacle (401) to define a brewing volume containing the quantity of beverage ingredients, and on inserting the insert (400) into the brew head (250) the inlet (405) and outlet (404) of the insert (400) are arranged to communicate respectively with the inlet (253) and outlet (254) of the brew head (250) such that, in use, water from the inlet (253) of the brew head (250) passes upwardly through the inlet (405) of the insert (400) into the brewing volume and such that beverage produced from the water and the quantity of beverage ingredients passes downwardly through the outlet (404) of the insert (400) to flow out of the outlet (254) of the brew head (250).

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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